Localism Task Force:

My name is Jeff Pryor, President and General Manager of the Victoria Television Group. I consider myself a veteran broadcaster that has enjoyed a career spanning 37 years in the television business. My time in this business began when the NAB Code kept broadcasters on target in supporting their communities. Even though that code is no longer prominent, I have continued to follow it's guidance through the years.

The Victoria Television Group consists of KAVU TV, KVCT TV, KUNU LP, KVTX LP and KXTS LP, all of which proudly serve the Victoria Texas market. Our group provides 21 hours per week of live local news to our viewers in English and Spanish. Weather is very important to our area due to our close proximity to the Gulf Coast. We have invested in a local Doppler Weather Radar to give our three meteorologists the ability to monitor for severe weather and help protect the community. We broadcast weather information and Amber Alerts in English and Spanish when ever the need arises. Our news product regularly contains interviews with local political candidates and non-profit organizations to allow better exposure to the public. We also produce a community service program called Community Crossroads that airs weekly and focuses on issues and needs in our viewing area.

The Victoria Television Group donates thousands of dollars per month in air time and video production to area organizations through sponsorships, long form video, dubbing services, talent services and Public Service announcements. All department managers serve in some capacity as a board member or mentor for a local organization or school system. As a part of this letter, I have included the names of some of the organizations we have served over the past few months. I will be happy to provide detailed contact information for these groups to allow the Task Force to confirm what the Victoria Television Group has done for them:

Crossroads Chapter of the American Red Cross American Cancer Society Bluebonnet Youth Ranch Children's Discovery Museum Community Action Committee Community Food Bank Child Study Clinic Consumer Credit Counseling Service Cultural Council of Victoria Devereaux Foundation Golden Crescent CASA Habitat for Humanity Victoria Goodwill Industries Memorial Dance and Drill Team Hope of South Texas Hospice of South Texas Making the Grade Mid-Coast Family Services SK8 on 4 Youth Victoria County United Way The Texas Zoo

The Salvation Army
Texas Workforce Solutions
Victoria Art League
YMCA of the Golden Crescent
Victoria Fine Arts Association
Victoria Community Theatre
Victoria Bach Festival
Victoria Chamber of Commerce
Victoria Symphony Society
Victoria Regional Museum Association
...and more.

We take tremendous pride in being an important part of the area we serve. I am confident that the Commission will find that broadcasters throughout the country have the same relationship as we do with their listeners and viewers.

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